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MASSACHUSETTS MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO SUPPLYING ECSTASY

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono announced today that **Modesto Cintron**, age 23, of Lawrence, Massachusetts, pled guilty to engaging in a conspiracy to distribute over 15,000 tablets of MDMA (3,4 methylene dioxymethamphetamine (a/k/a ecstasy)).

Cintron was arrested in April, 2002, after an extensive investigation conducted by the New Hampshire State Police Narcotics Investigation Unit identified him as a major ecstasy distributor to the Manchester, New Hampshire area. Five other individuals, Andrew Frost, age 25, Elizabeth Tilton, age 21, Juan Costillo, age 32, Peter Ramos, age 24, and Stephanie Douglas-Ramos, age 25, all from Manchester, New Hampshire, were also arrested and indicted for their involvement in the distribution of ecstasy.

Cintron is scheduled to be sentenced in November, 2003, and faces a twenty (20) year term of imprisonment. The prosecution was the result of a joint investigation between the New Hampshire State Police Narcotics Investigation Unit, the Manchester, NH Police Department, the Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Manchester, New Hampshire Office and the United States Attorney's Office. United States Attorney Colantuono commended the investigation, stating: "This case demonstrates the continuing efforts of law enforcement, working jointly with the United States Attorney's Office, to eradicate drugs, such as ecstasy, from the streets of New Hampshire."

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Terry Ollila.